

In the  
**Indiana Supreme Court**

IN THE MATTER OF THE )

APPROVAL OF LOCAL RULES )

FOR PUTNAM COUNTY )

Case No. 67S00-12 08 -MS- 469



ORDER APPROVING AMENDED LOCAL RULE

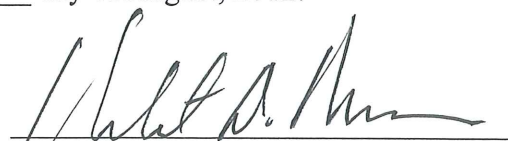
The Judges of the Putnam Circuit and Superior Courts request the approval of an amended local rule for caseload allocation in accordance with Ind. Administrative Rule 1(E). Attached to this Order is the proposed amended local rule.

Upon examination of the proposed rule amendment requested by the Putnam Circuit and Superior Courts, this Court finds that the proposed rule amendment, LR67-AR-1 complies with the requirements of Ind. Administrative Rule 1(E), and, accordingly, should be approved and posted in the county clerk's office(s) and on the county clerk's website, if any, and on the Indiana Judicial Website.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED by this Court that amended Local Rule LR67-AR-1 for Putnam County Courts, set forth as an attachment to this Order, is approved effective retroactive to August 10, 2012. The Clerk of this Court is directed to forward a copy of this Order to the Hon. Charles D. Bridges, Putnam Superior Court, One Courthouse Square, Greencastle, IN 46135-1550; the Hon. Matthew L. Headley, Putnam Circuit Court, One Courthouse Square, Greencastle, IN 46135-1503; to the Clerk of the Putnam Circuit and Superior Courts; and to the Division of State Court Administration. The Clerk is also directed to post this Order on the Court's website.

The Clerk of the Putnam Circuit and Superior Courts is directed to enter this Order and attachment in the Record of Judgments and Orders for the Courts, to post this Order and attachment for examination by the Bar and the general public, and if available, to publish this Order and attachment on the county clerk's website.

DONE at Indianapolis, Indiana, this 16<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2012.

  
Robert D. Rucker  
Acting Chief Justice of Indiana

## **LR67- AR-1 Commencement of action/Assignment of Cases**

### **Circuit Court**

#### **1. Civil**

- all causes filed as a CC or a CT, except for (1) cases in which involve Putnam County Hospital or its employed doctors is/are a party; (2) Old National Bank is a party, and all causes filed as a PL wherein the demand is \$10,000.00 or more or when money damages are requested in an unspecified amount
- 50% of Dissolution of Marriage actions
- Mental Health Commitments
- Probate
- Trust
- Guardianship
- Juvenile – JM's, JD's, JS's, ½ of JP's
- Department of Child Services
- Protective Orders if a Dissolution or Juvenile matter involving the same parties is pending
- Mortgage Foreclosures, Quiet Title, Boundary Line Disputes and other matters involving title to real estate
- Adoption
- Reciprocal Support

#### **2. Criminal**

- Murder, if alleged to have been committed in odd years
- 50% Class A Felonies
- 50% Class B Felonies
- 50% Class C Felonies,
- 50% Class D Felonies,
- Criminal Miscellaneous
- Prior to filing a new criminal charge, the prosecutor's office is required to determine if the Defendant is on probation or already has a pending criminal case or on probation in one of the courts. If so, the prosecutor's office shall file the new case in the same court as the prior pending case/probation.

## **Superior Court**

### **1. Civil**

- all matters filed as a PL wherein the demand is under \$10,000.00
- CT's naming Putnam County Hospital / its doctors as a party; naming Old National Bank as a party
- 50% of Dissolution of Marriage actions
- 50% of JP's
- Small claims
- Rent/eviction
- Protective Orders, except where a dissolution or Juvenile matter is pending in the Putnam Circuit Court
- Actions filed by Jail or Penal institution inmates (MI cases)
- Reciprocal Support

### **2. Criminal**

- All infractions, ordinance violations
- A, B, C misdemeanors
- Murder, if alleged to have been committed in even years
- 50% of all A Felonies
- 50% of all B Felonies
- 50% of all C Felonies
- 50% of all D Felonies
- Prior to filing a new criminal charge, the prosecutor's office is required to determine if the Defendant is on probation or already has a pending criminal case or on probation in one of the courts. If so, the prosecutor's office shall file the new case in the same court as the prior pending case/probation.